

Domiciliary Project Questions from 8/22/2014

1. Can the VA provide the name of the York Campus Security System vendor?

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2. Can the VA provide the name of the Raualand Panic Alarm Vendor?

Southwest Communications for Nurse call.

3. Can the VA provide the name of the fire alarm system vendor? Can the VA provide location of fire alarm system tie in point?

Simplex is our fire alarm system. The 4100 panel is located in Bldg. 11 at the front lobby stairs. A panel should be established in new building. System is a ring fiber optic system. Graphics must be upgraded when building is constructed. All devices must be addressable. NO standalone systems are allowed.

- a. The solicitation indicates the fire alarm system is a York Siemens Simplex. These are three different brands can the VA be more specific. Can the VA provide the location fire alarm tie in point?

Simplex is fire alarm and Siemens is the Energy Management system.

4. Can the VA provide the location of the tie in point for the VA Police Security System (this is for tie in of security call buttons to police station)?

The security system will tie into the VA network. Network tie in located in Building 5

5. Are the cameras to be monitored? If so where is the tie in point?

Interior cameras are locally monitored. Exterior cameras monitored by security.

6. Is the electric meter for the new building to be stand alone or tied to BMS?

The new electric meter should be compatible with those installed by the VISN Energy Manager and with the BMS.

- a. If tied to BMS can VA provide name of BMS vendor and tie in point? Tie in point is Bldg. 11, room G09, panel is limited and will require replacement to support additional points. BMS system graphics will also require upgrade to indicate bldg., all devices, fire and smoke dampers, etc. NO standalone systems are allowed.

7. Can the VA provide the location of the cable TV signal tie in point?

[Building 11](#)

8. Can the VA confirm ample physical space is available to add circuit breaker or fused switches in building 11 emergency and normal panels?

[Space is not available in existing distribution equipment. Additional equipment will be required.](#)

9. The solicitation indicates LED parking lot lighting and bollard lighting for healing garden and pathways. Since this VA campus is on the national historic register is there a specific exterior fixture or pole required to match the remainder of the campus?

[Match existing in appearance.](#)

10. Is a recent soil test report available? [No](#)

11. Is a site plan with all the utilities available? [Posted on last amendment.](#)

12. Is a recent fire protection flow test near proposed building available? [Already submitted](#)

13. Where is the location of the water lines for domestic and fire protection the VA intends to tie into located? [See provided utility drawings](#)

14. Where is the location of the sewer lines the VA intends to tie into? [See provided utility drawings](#)

15. Where is the location of the steam loop the VA intends to tie into? [See provided utility drawings](#)

16. Is campus chilled water available? If so Where is the location of the loop where the VA intends to tie into? [Not available](#)

17. Is a site grading plan or survey available? [No](#)

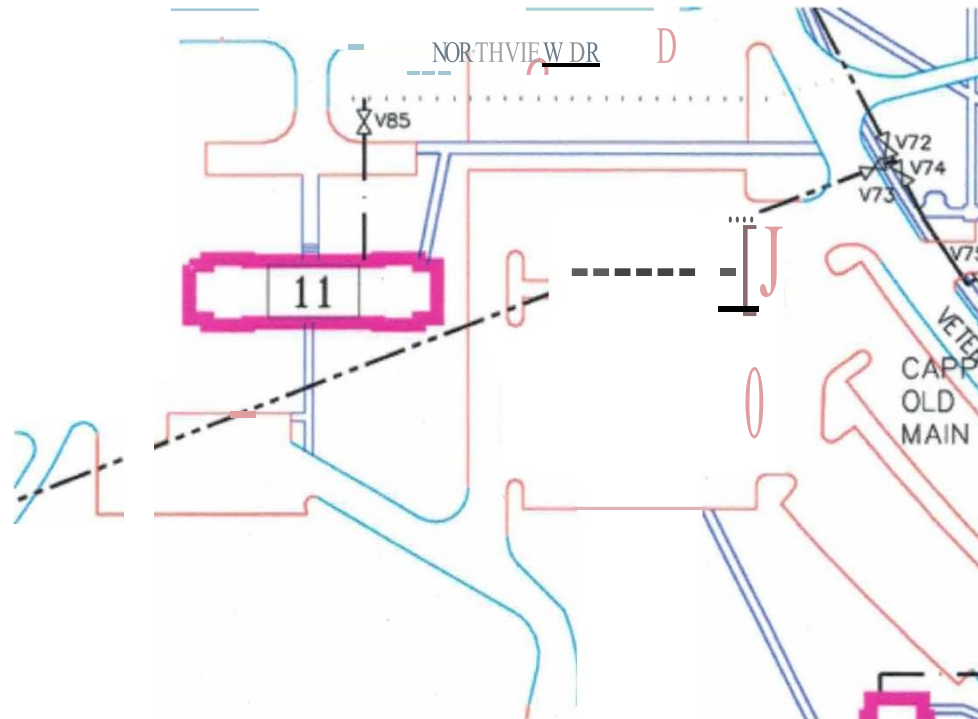
18. Where is the ECC for the control center? [The ECC is located in bldg. 107, Chiller Plant and in Bldg. 16, Boiler Plant. Both plants have BMS capability since the Boiler person backs up the chiller person.](#)

19. Does the existing controls system communicate over the VA intranet or does it have its own communication network? How far will we have to go to connect? [The Siemens system operates over its own network and is used throughout campus. See question 6 for the location.](#)

20. Pg. 2, Part 1, #B of TVHS Energy Requirements Design Guide – please clarify this statement, “Design to meet intent of LEED Health Care (HC) energy saving requirements.” Do offerors need to design and construct this building to meet a LEED Certification (Certified, Silver, Gold, etc.) or are contractors just required to design to LEED principles?
[No LEED Certification](#)
21. Is this project sales tax exempt? If the answer to this question is yes, will the VA provide a tax exemption certificate? [No - All taxes and fees are the responsibility of the awardee.](#)
22. Will the VA consider delaying the bid date? The Labor Day holiday will significantly affect subcontractor participation and lead to higher pricing. [Bid date cannot be delayed due to need for award by end of fiscal year.](#)
23. How will furnishings be handled? (i.e. VA furnished or Contractor Furnished) Are any furnishings or loose equipment to be included in the bid amount? [VA provided.](#)
24. To what degree are the specifications to be written for Phase II submission? Please clarify requirements for "Construction Specifications" referenced on page 34 of 96 in the Solicitation - 6.5 Proposal Evaluation - Phase II Factor I, Item 2. [Provide a complete Table of Contents for the specifications to be used for the project. In addition provide edited specs for Windows, Drywall and Light Fixtures.](#)
25. What is the anticipated average length of stay for the occupants of this facility? [Varies this is a medical decision.](#)
26. How will meal time be handled within the facility? Are we to assume they're carted into the facility requiring minimal prep within the Kitchenette? [See design guide](#)
27. (#4 continued) Please clarify purpose of 'kitchen' included in the program requirements. Will all food be prepared here? Is it intended to be a serving/warming kitchen? Will the kitchen be available to residents for food prep snacks, etc.? [Please see the design guide, specifies what goes in.](#)
28. Do any of the offices require and/or prefer adjacency to the Therapy/Recreation or users Station areas? [Not necessary](#)
29. According to the Statement of Work, provided by the gov't, under *Building Interior #5*, it states that all ceiling heights are to be 9 min, unless the square footage exceeds 120sf in which case the ceiling height changes to 10' min. What is the preferred ceiling height for the patient rooms/bathrooms even if the square footage is above 120sf? [9 feet](#)
30. What type of security will the finished facility have? [See design guides](#)
31. How will the occupants receive laundry services? Please clarify purpose of the "Laundry" included in the program requirements. Is this space intended for all laundry needs or just

personal laundry? This will impact location of room as well as equipment needs. [Patient use](#)

32. Please identify the size of the domestic water line shown in the image. (see below) Does this water line need to be rerouted so it does not interfere with civil/site work for the new building? [Contractor may not build over it or any other utilities. Size of line to be verified by contractor.](#)



33. Is there an issue with tying into Building 11's existing steam line? [None known at this time. No tie in to steam line should be scheduled during winter months. Tie in must be accomplished within the hours of 7:00 pm to 1:00 am on a Friday or Saturday. Must have steam to operate facility, cook meals, etc.](#)
34. Is there a dedicated fire line in this area, if so can you provide a site map? [See utility layout](#)
35. Can you locate all fire hydrants in this vicinity? [See utility layout](#)